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LOG OF MEETING

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SUBJECT: Clothes Dryer testing to address dryer fires

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DATE OF MEETING: May 14, 2001

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SOURCE OF LOG ENTRY: Arthur Lee, ESEE *[Signature]*

LOCATION: Underwriters Laboratory, Northbrook, IL

CPSC ATTENDEES: Arthur Lee, Hugh McLaurin, and Andrew Trotta.

NON-CPSC ATTENDEES: Donald Grob, UL; Gary Thibeault, AHAM; Rick Seib, Whirlpool; and Joe Erdelsky, Invensys.

SUMMARY OF MEETING: The meeting discussed clothes dryer incident data collection by AHAM, through manufacturers, and UL's testing plans. Gary Thibeault, AHAM, projected that 200 incidents should be collected by the end of July or early August. The report should follow 1 or 2 months later. Don Grob from UL stated that UL would wait for AHAM's report/data before deciding what component testing should be conducted. He also stated that the testing should last approximately 1 year. Rick Seib stated that it has been and is challenging to merge all the manufacturers' data into one understandable database. Arthur Lee, CPSC, introduced the testing program that CPSC will begin next month. The testing will involve characterizing lint ignition as seen in typical electric clothes dryer environments. The testing is planned to take place at CPSC's laboratory in Gaithersburg, MD. Future teleconference meetings to discuss status are anticipated.

